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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES  
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)  
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)

09/926546

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.

PCT/FR00/01361

INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE

19 May 2000

PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED

20 May 1999

TITLE OF INVENTION

FLEXIBLE CONTAINER WITH A SEALABLE CLOSURE

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information.

1. ☒ This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☒ This is an express request to promptly begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)).
4. ☒ The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (PCT Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. ☒ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☒ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☐ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)).
7. ☐ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
  - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).  
"Executed"
10. ☒ An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11 to 16 below concern other document(s) or information included:

11. Assignee: \_\_\_\_\_
12. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
13. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
14. ☐ A FIRST preliminary amendment.  
☐ A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.
15. ☐ A substitute specification.
16. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
17. ☐ Figure of Drawing to be published \_\_\_\_\_
18. ☒ Other items or information:  
Cover Sheet and International Application as published in French.  
PCT/IPEA/409(in French).  
PCT/IB/304(in French).  
PCT/IB/308(in French).  
PCT/ISA/210.  
Executed Small Entity Status Form.  
Claim of Priority.

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| 19. The following fees are submitted:<br><br>Basic National Fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)):<br>Search report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO. . . . . \$ 890.00<br>International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482). . . . . \$ 710.00<br>No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) but international search fee paid to USPTO(37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)). . . . . \$ 740.00<br>Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2) paid to USPTO. . . . . \$1,040.00<br>International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(2)-(4). . . . . \$ 100.00<br><br>ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT = |              |              |                          | CALCULATIONS | PTO USE ONLY |
| \$890.00   |              |              |                          |              |              |
| Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 20 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).  |              |              |                          |              |              |
| Claims   | Number Filed | Number Extra | RATE                     |              |              |
| Total Claims   | - 20 =       |              | X \$18.00                |              |              |
| Independent Claims   | - 3 =        |              | X \$84.00                |              |              |
| Multiple dependent claim(s) (if applicable)  |              |              | + \$280.00               |              |              |
| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =  |              |              | \$890.00                 |              |              |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.  |              |              | \$445.00                 |              |              |
| SUBTOTAL =   |              |              | \$445.00                 |              |              |
| Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 20 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).   |              |              | +                        |              |              |
| Extension of Time fee in the amount of \$  |              |              |                          |              |              |
| TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =   |              |              | \$445.00                 |              |              |
| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property  |              |              | +                        |              |              |
| TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =  |              |              | \$445.00                 |              |              |
|  |              |              | Amount to be refunded \$ |              |              |
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a. ☒ A check in the amount of \$445.00 to cover the above fee is enclosed.

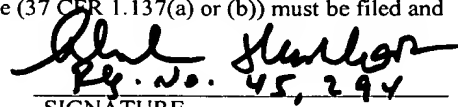
b. ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the above fees.

c. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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